To: Herrera, Angeles[Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]

Cc: Ball, Harold[Ball.Harold@epa.gov]

From: **Greg Lovato**

Sent: Fri 2/3/2017 12:26:42 AM Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination

Thanks Angeles, we greatly appreciate the close communication and coordination.

----Original Message----

From: Herrera, Angeles [mailto:Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 4:24 PM

To: Greg Lovato Cc: Ball, Harold

Subject: Re: Anaconda coordination

I tried to respond to this message before but got kicked out of email...

Thanks Greg.

Regarding the decision not to move forward with final listing in March, we received your email request and are in the process of coordinating with our HQ's NPL listing office and others. You should hear back from us soon.

Regarding communications about postponing the listing with the tribes and others, it is important for NDEP, BLM, and EPA to coordinate closely and communicate similar messages. I agree that right now is premature but we should be able soon. We need to develop a communication strategy that includes talking pts before reaching out to the tribes, local Gov, and community members. We can discuss further during our meeting next Monday at 3pm. Thanks.

Angeles

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 2, 2017, at 2:34 PM, Greg Lovato <glovato@ndep.nv.gov> wrote:

> All that being said, if EPA or BLM have some specific ideas on how we should be communicating with tribe about deferral now I am all ears. I believe it is premature.

> ----Original Message-----

> From: Greg Lovato

> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:32 PM

> To: 'Ball, Harold'

> Cc: 'Herrera, Angeles'

> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination

> When they would be consulted should not have been communicated by Jeryl. I let him and Jeff know to have all external deferral inquiries directed to me.

> ----Original Message-----

> From: Grea Lovato

> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:31 PM

> To: 'Ball, Harold'

> Cc: Herrera, Angeles

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> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> Ok that is incorrect information about them being consulted in May timeframe. We would plan to
contact them immediately if/when a decision from EPA is communicated that March listing will be
postponed.
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Ball, Harold [mailto:Ball.Harold@epa.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:28 PM
> To: Greg Lovato
> Cc: Herrera, Angeles
> Subject: FW: Anaconda coordination
> See below. So no substance but just that negotiations continue and thus perhaps their
assumption (?) that we are planning to delay listing. Constructive tribal engagement is an
important piece to consider soon. I see that you have made plans to discuss on Monday.
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> Harold Ball, Chief, NV & Federal Facilities Section (S82), EPA Region 9 Superfund, w)
415.972.3047, c) 415.819.9821, ball.harold@epa.gov
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Rodriguez, Dante
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 2:04 PM
> To: Ball, Harold <Ball.Harold@epa.gov>
> Cc: Herrera, Angeles < Herrera. Angeles @epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> Hey guys,
> I would agree that Jeryl only generically informed us that the deferral path is still being pursued,
based on the Tuesday meeting. (Jeryl informed me separately about the "covenants" issue.) The
tribes knew enough background about what is going on, though, to know the significance of that
information. The tribes know that they have not yet been involved in the deferral discussion, and
Jeryl did indicate that per the schedule they would be consulted in the May timeframe. I believe
that timing upset them and is precipitating the letter.
> Dante Rodriguez
> Remedial Project Manager
> U.S. EPA Region 9
> 75 Hawthorne Street, SFD-8-2
> San Francisco, CA 94105
> (415)972-3166
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Ball, Harold
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 1:01 PM
> To: glovato@ndep.nv.gov; Herrera, Angeles <Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> OK. Let me check back with Dante (now at lunch) to see if he shares the opinion that only
generic info was shared. If true, great!
> I will get back to you both when I can confirm. From Dante's report, I got the impression that
more substance was discussed - if not, then why did the tribe indicate they would be sending a
letter now? Will follow up.
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> ----Original Message-----
> From: Greg Lovato [mailto:glovato@ndep.nv.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 12:54 PM
> To: Herrera, Angeles < Herrera. Angeles @epa.gov>
> Cc: Ball, Harold <Ball.Harold@epa.gov>
> Subject: RE: Anaconda coordination
> I talked with Jeryl and we would not characterize it that way. In response to a question from
Dietrick, Jeryl stated that we are continuing to work on a deferral path, not inconsistent with Dave
Emme's NPL listing formal comment letter. Jeryl did not review any specific "outcomes" from the
meeting or indicate any decisions were made with respect to postponing listing. They did not
mention anything about sending a letter. We did receive the attached letter previously and are
waiting to respond. I am not sure why they would send an additional letter now. No decisions
have been made or communicated.
> ----Original Message-----
> From: Herrera, Angeles [mailto:Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov]
> Sent: Thursday, February 02, 2017 12:28 PM
> To: Greg Lovato
> Cc: Ball, Harold
> Subject: Anaconda coordination
      We understand from Dante that Jeryl mentioned our ARC meeting outcomes to tribe
(Chairman Thom, Ginny, and Dietrick) on Tuesday night after talking to you. Tribe planning a
letter soon. Do you know anything about that?
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